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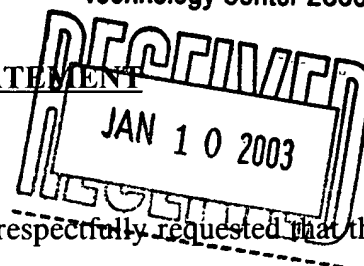
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Pursuant to Applicants' duty of disclosure, it is respectfully requested that the reference listed in the attached form PTO-1449 be considered by the Examiner and made of record in the above-identified application. A copy of the reference is attached hereto.

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The listed item was cited by the U.K. Patent Office in a counterpart application, namely Appln. No. GB 0203771.1. A copy of the Combined Search and Examination Report dated October 30, 2002 is attached hereto.

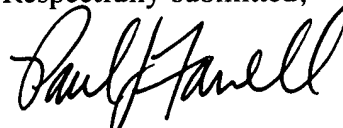
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The claims of the application as now presented are believed to patentably distinguish over the prior art and to be in condition for allowance. Early and favorable consideration of the case is respectfully requested.

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Respectfully submitted,



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